

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8013

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Daniel "Dan" Eugene Lee of Nashville, Sergeant at Arms of the Senate of the Tennessee General Assembly.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Daniel "Dan" Eugene Lee, Sergeant at Arms of the Senate of the 105th—112th Tennessee General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, Dan Lee was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Nashville on January 18, 1949, to Bob Lee and Nell Bradley Lee, Mr. Lee showed great responsibility and personal drive from a young age, as he successfully ran a paper route for many years and graduated early from high school; and

WHEREAS, after earning a degree from David Lipscomb University, he was drafted into the military and honorably served his nation during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Dan Lee met the love of his life, Janice Dorris, in Nashville, and they were married in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lee distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity throughout his more than twenty-seven years of service to the Department of Education before taking his well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, an avid reader who walked three and one-half miles every morning, Dan Lee enjoyed history, military artifacts, and genealogy; he especially loved spending time with his family, and his sensible, sought-after advice, good-natured personality, extreme patience, and kindness to all will be fondly remembered by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, left behind to cherish his memory are his children, Adrienne Elizabeth (Ben) Lee-Gass, Logan (Loribeth) Lee, Eleanor Victoria (Jeremy) Paisley, and Olivia Rosalind Lee; his

grandchildren, Rosalind Victoria Lee-Gass, Evelyn Anne Paisley, and Abigail Jane Paisley; his brother, Bobby (Mary) Lee; his sister, Nelda (Russ) Sturgeon; his nieces and nephews; and many close friends; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife of forty-two years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lee was a warm and affable man, who related easily to everyone he encountered, and his admirable record of public service to the citizens of this State is a testament to a life well lived; and

WHEREAS, Dan Lee leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of our friend and colleague Daniel "Dan" Eugene Lee, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Lee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.